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State Board of Review to Meet July 27

The South Carolina State Board of Review for the National Register of Historic Places will meet on Friday, July 27 at 10:30 a.m. at the Archives and History Center. The Board will consider the following seven nominations to the National Register:

- Cherry Hill School, Hilton Head Island, Beaufort County
- Florence Downtown Historic District (Boundary Increase), Florence County
- Snow's Island (Additional Documentation and Boundary Increase), Florence County
- Lawtonville Baptist Church, Estill, Hampton County
- Palmetto Theater, Hampton, Hampton County
- Hester Store, Pickens County
- Rock Hill Printing and Finishing Company, Rock Hill, York County

The public is welcome to attend the meeting. For more information, contact Andy Chandler at chandler@scdah.state.sc.us or 803-896-6179.

4 New Listings in the National Register of Historic Places

The **Mulberry Chapel Methodist Church** in the vicinity of Pacolet in Cherokee County was listed in the National Register on June 27, 2012. Built circa 1880, the church is

significant for its association with African American heritage in the South Carolina upcountry during Reconstruction and for its architectural significance as an intact example of a vernacular form of Gothic Revival ecclesiastical architecture. It is a local example of one of the most significant social changes precipitated by black freedom - the establishment of independent black churches and denominations. The property also contains a historic cemetery with approximately 20 marked graves with headstones from 1888 to the 1960s, and an additional 20 or more unmarked graves.

The **E.W. Montgomery Cotton Warehouse** in Greenville in Greenville County was listed in the National Register on June 27, 2012. It is significant for its association with the purchase, storage, grading, and sale of cotton used in the textile industry, and for its association with the productive and professional life of Edmund Warren Montgomery, an important cotton merchant and broker in upstate South Carolina from the early-to-mid-twentieth century. The headquarters of the E.W. Montgomery Company was located in this building. The Company was one of the largest and most far-reaching cotton brokerages in the United States, having offices and warehouses in other locations in the United States and trading offices in Europe and Egypt. The company bought and sold cotton to be sent to textile mills all over the Southeast, New England, Canada, and Europe. Montgomery operated his cotton merchandising and brokerage business from this warehouse and office building from 1933 until his death in 1962.

The **Earle R. Taylor House and Peach Packing Shed** in the vicinity of Greer in Greenville County was listed in the National Register on June 27, 2012. This property is significant in the early development of peach growing in Greer, South Carolina. The Taylor family was one of the first in the area to plant and grow peaches. By 1898, James Pashcal Taylor had moved to Greer and was the first man to plant 500 peach trees in the area. His son, Earle Taylor, started his peach operation in 1917 and was shipping peaches to northern markets in 1920 by rail. At its peak, the 900 acre farm had 30,000 peach and apple trees on 300 acres, cotton fields, and about 100 head of Angus cattle. The peach shed (ca. 1925) is an open wood-framed two story gable-front building with one story shed-roofed wings on each side. Once the peaches were picked in the fields and loaded into bins they were then transported to the packing shed for processing. The brick Colonial Revival style house was built in 1939 and is an excellent example of the work of local architect Thomas Keating.

The **Frank Evans High School** in Spartanburg in Spartanburg County was listed in the National Register on June 27, 2012. Completed in 1922, with additions in 1925 and 1928, the Frank Evans High School is an excellent example of the Collegiate Gothic Style often used for educational institutions in the early twentieth century. It is the combined work of two prominent architects and one significant architecture-engineering firm: G. Lloyd Preacher (a South Carolina native working in Georgia); the Boston and Spartanburg firm of Lockwood, Greene and Company; and Spartanburg architect J. Frank Collins. The school exemplifies the development of education in the city of Spartanburg. The new school was not only a symbol of the superior education in Spartanburg but also a symbol of the work of Frank Evans, long time superintendent and educator. Evans was recognized throughout the South as a leader in public education. Dr. Evans changed the name of the school to Spartanburg High School in

1933. The school was renamed Evans Junior High School in 1959 when the new Spartanburg High School was built.

The nominations and photographs for each of these new listings will be posted soon on <http://www.nationalregister.sc.gov/nrlinks.htm>.

Success Stories Added to SHPO Website

Please check out the new Success Stories posted on our website about the Horry County Survey, Lowman Hall, and Rosenwald Schools
<http://shpo.sc.gov/pubs/Pages/success.aspx>.

Congratulations to the Town of Cheraw

The Municipal Association of SC recently recognized nine South Carolina cities and towns for innovative projects and programs with its 2012 Municipal Achievement Awards program. Among them was the Town of Cheraw, which has a significant history to share but a very limited tourism budget. The Town created a free self-guided cell phone tour of a 10-block historic area. At more than 25 points across the city, callers to the Historic Cheraw Cell Phone Tour learn facts about the town's past and discover interesting points and information about historically significant homes, churches and businesses. To learn more about the tour and to listen go to <http://www.visitcheraw.com/calendar/events/index.php?com=detail&eID=2177>.

Main Street SC Inspiration Awards

Main Street SC recently presented its Downtown Service Award to Mr. Bill Kinney of Bennettsville. Mr. Kinney currently serves as Vice-Chairman of the South Carolina Archives and History Commission and Chair of the State Board of Review for the National Register. Main Street SC also recognized the Third Thursday in Historic Downtown Summerville with its Outstanding Promotions Award, and Robin Todd and Jeanie Willis, of The Green Door in Laurens with its Master Merchant Award. For more information about the awards see <http://www.masc.sc/programs/knowledge/Pages/InspirationAwards.aspx> or contact Beppie LeGrand at 803-933-1231.

New Report on Preservation and Related Programs at the National Park Service

The National Park Service (NPS) has just released a new document that collectively addresses programs that fall outside the traditional scope of the park system, commonly referred to as the "external programs." This document serves as a companion piece to a 2006 document, *Management of the National Park System*, which focuses solely on

NPS management of the national park system. The new document includes information on 28 programs from the American Battlefield Protection Program to Trails & Rails and everything in between including National Heritage Areas and the Historic Preservation Fund. For each program, information is provided regarding the mission, background, program requirements, administration, and accomplishments. See <http://www.preservationaction.org/Reports/National%20Park%20Service%20Programs.pdf>.

Preservation Green Lab Seeks Historic Building Case Studies

The Preservation Green Lab is developing detailed case studies of projects that combine **best practices in historic preservation and green building**. Case study buildings should be designated or eligible for national or local historic designation, with energy efficiency at least 30% better than the previous condition or an accepted baseline. They are searching for projects in five categories:

- Federal/Government
- Main Street
- Multi-Family Residential
- Single-Family Residential
- Adaptive Use

Please send any suggestions and leads to the Preservation Green Lab by **July 27, 2012** jwiser@savingplaces.org.

Videos and Podcasts from the National Center for Training and Technology

The National Center for Training and Technology has a wide range of programs about historic preservation, archaeology, and history available on its website. There are 35 podcasts on subjects including historic uses of lime mortar, campus heritage landscapes, cemeteries, sustainability and “green restorations”, archaeology, and new technologies for documentation <http://ncptt.nps.gov/articles/podcast/>.

Their collection of videos is similarly diverse, with sessions from conferences on folk art, how to repair iron fencing, care of stone grave markers, and underwater archaeology <http://ncptt.nps.gov/articles/videos/>.

Conferences/Workshops/Events

NEW National Preservation Institute Announces 2012-2013 Professional Seminars in Historic Preservation and Cultural Resource Management. Fall workshops scheduled in the Southeast include:

- *Section 106: A Review for Experienced Practitioners*, Richmond, VA (September 18-19)
- *NEPA Compliance and Cultural Resources*, Richmond, VA (September 20-21)
- *Cemetery Preservation*, Tallahassee, FL (October 10-11)
- *Cemetery Landscapes: A Practical Guide to Care and Maintenance*, Tallahassee, FL (October 12)
- *Section 106: Agreement Documents*, Atlanta, GA (October 10-12)
- *Section 4(f) Compliance for Historic Properties*, Tallahassee, FL (November 14-15)
- *Preservation Planning and Policy Development for Historic Roads*, Tallahassee, FL (November 16)

To learn more about each seminar and to register go to <http://www.npi.org/>

Advisory Council Webinar on “Section 110(k) and Section 106: Responding to Anticipatory Demolition Concerns,” July 26 and August 16. To register and for more information visit <http://www.achp.gov/sec106webinar.html>.

Society for Commercial Archaeology Conference, September 26 – 29, 2012, Wildwood, NJ. For more information go to <http://www.sca-roadside.org/>.

Georgia Municipal Cemetery Conference "Best Practices for Cemetery Management," September 19 - 21, 2012, Decatur, GA. For more information visit www.gmcaweb.org or contact Conference Coordinator Regina Brewer at 404-371-8386 or regina.brewer@decaturga.com.

Preserving the Historic Road 2012, September 20-22, 2012, Indianapolis, IN. Three days of field workshops, educational sessions, and special events for sharing the latest information and policies for historic roads. For information see www.historicroads.org.

NEW Historic Real Estate Training Part 1, September 24, 2012, Salem, MA. Offered by the 1772 Foundation, the National Trust for Historic Preservation, and the National Development Council. Participants will learn about the numbers behind real estate projects including underwriting, appraisals, cash flow, depreciation, passive income/loss, syndication, tax credits, and more. It will be followed in the spring of 2013 with Part 2: Problem Solving and Deal Structuring. For more information see <http://www.preservationnation.org/forum/newsroom/1772-foundations-historic.html>.

Association for Preservation Technology and Preservation Trades Network Joint Conference, September 29 – October 4, 2012, Charleston, SC. With the theme “Cornerstones: Collaborative Approaches to Preservation”, the conferences will focus on creating dialogues between design, engineering, preservation and the building trades/industry. More information is available at <http://www.apti.org/conferences/conference-current.cfm>.

American Association for State and Local History Annual Meeting, October 3 – 6, 2012, Salt Lake City, UT. Guided by the theme; *Crossroads: Exploring the Vibrant Connections Between People and Place*, this year's meeting will feature over seventy sessions and workshops focusing on the power and promise of connections. For more information see <http://www.aaslh.org/am2012.htm>.

NEW Charleston Heritage Symposium “Inside Neoclassical Charleston”, October 5-7, 2012, Charleston. See <http://www.preservationsociety.org/heritage/>.

Southeast Chapter Society of Architectural Historians 30th Annual Meeting, October 17 – 20, 2012, Athens, GA. Information about the conference will be posted at <http://www.sesah.org/>.

National Preservation Conference “Beyond Boundaries”, October 31 – November 3, 2012, Spokane, WA. Registration is now open at <http://www.preservationnation.org/resources/training/npc/>. The last day for early bird prices for the conference is July 31.

Grant Application Deadlines

August 15, 2012: Humanities Council^{SC} Major Grants: The next round for Major Grants (\$2000 - \$8000) is due August 15. Grants support public programs designed to be accessible by a broad audience, to serve citizens in urban, rural, and small-town settings, and to make possible humanities programs that illuminate and enrich the lives of both audiences and scholars. Drafts are strongly encouraged and will be accepted any time prior to the deadline listed below. For more information see <http://schumanities.org/grants/howtoapply> or call 803-771-2477.

For More Grants Information

The National Trust for Historic Preservation's federal grants office maintains a blog which also includes a calendar of upcoming deadlines and useful tips to help navigate through the federal grant application process. See <http://nthpgrants.blogspot.com/>

- www.grants.gov
- <http://www.preservationnation.org/resources/find-funding/>
- <http://www.statelibrary.sc.gov/grant-and-funding-sources>
- <http://www.achp.gov/funding.html>

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